

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 58th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN CINDY YOUNKIN**, on January 29, 2003 at 3:10 P.M., in Room 152 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Cindy Younkin, Chairman (R)
Rep. Gail Gutsche, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Jim Peterson, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Debby Barrett (R)
Rep. Larry Cyr (D)
Rep. Sue Dickenson (D)
Rep. Ron Erickson (D)
Rep. George Everett (R)
Rep. Kim Gillan (D)
Rep. Christopher Harris (D)
Rep. Carol Lambert (R)
Rep. Michael Lange (R)
Rep. Rick Maedje (R)
Rep. Bruce Malcolm (R)
Rep. Brad Newman (D)
Rep. John (Jack) W. Ross (R)
Rep. Scott Sales (R)
Rep. Veronica Small-Eastman (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Kathleen Ely, Committee Secretary
Larry Mitchell, Legislative Branch

Please Note:

Video-taped Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. A video-taped recording of the meeting is available from the Montana Historical Society.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 368, 1/20/2003; HB 351,
1/21/2003; HB 328, 1/15/2003
Executive Action: None.

HEARING ON HB 368

Sponsor: REP. DEVLIN, HD 3, TERRY

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

3:11 p.m. REP. DEVLIN

Proponents' Testimony:

3:14 p.m. Greg Cross, Montana Petroleum Release Board

3:19 p.m. Ronna Cristman, Montana Petroleum Marketers

3:29 p.m. Lee Brunner, Montana Petroleum Marketers

3:31 p.m. Earl Griffith, Tetra Tech Inc.

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony:

3:35 p.m. Tom Livers, Department of Environmental Quality

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

3:38 p.m. REP. LAMBERT

3:38 p.m. Earl Griffith

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3:40 p.m. Earl Griffith

3:40 p.m. REP. YOUNKIN

3:41 p.m. Tom Livers

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3:42 p.m. **REP. YOUNKIN**

3:43 p.m. **Sandi Olsen**

3:44 p.m. **REP. BARRETT**

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3:44 p.m. **REP. GUTSCHE**

3:45 p.m. **Lee Brunner**

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3:46 p.m. **Lee Brunner**

Closing by Sponsor:

3:47 p.m. **REP. DEVLIN**

HEARING ON HB 351

Sponsor: **REP. LANGE, HD 19, BILLINGS**

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

3:49 p.m. **REP. LANGE**

Proponents' Testimony:

4:03 p.m. **Al Littler, Billings Realtor**

4:09 p.m. **Clayton Fiscus, Billings Realtor**

4:12 p.m. **Roger Halver, Montana Association of Realtors**

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

4:13 p.m. **REP. ERICKSON**

4:13 p.m. **Larry Mitchell**

4:14 p.m. **REP. MAEDJE**

4:15 p.m. Clayton Fiscus

Closing by Sponsor:

4:16 p.m. REP. LANGE

HEARING ON HB 328

Sponsor: REP. HARRIS, HD 30, BOZEMAN

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

4:18 p.m. REP. HARRIS

EXHIBIT (nah19a01)

EXHIBIT (nah19a02)

Proponents' Testimony:

4:22 p.m. Darrell Holzer, AFL-CIO

4:26 p.m. Ann Hedges, Montana Environmental Information Center

4:33 p.m. Alexandra Gorman, Women's Voices of the Earth

4:37 p.m. Jennifer Swearingen, Bozeman

4:39 p.m. Katie Scherfig

4:40 p.m. Brady Wiseman

4:41 p.m. Denise Haymen

4:42 p.m. Jeff Van Den Noort, Montana Sierra Club

4:43 p.m. Michelle Reinhardt, Northern Plains Resource Council

Opponents' Testimony:

4:46 p.m. Don Allen, Western Montana Environmental Trade
Association

4:52 p.m. Ellen Porter, Louisiana Pacific Railroad

4:57 p.m. Angela Janacaro, Montana Mining Association

5:01 p.m. Dexter Busby, Montana Refinery, Great Falls

5:01 p.m. **Gayle Abercrombie, Executive Director, Montana
Petroleum Association**

5:05 p.m. **Pat Montalban, Montana Oil and Gas Association**

Informational Testimony:

5:06 p.m. **Don Vidrine, Department of Environmental Quality**

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

5:07 p.m. **REP. NEWMAN**

5:08 p.m. **Don Allen**

5:09 p.m. **REP. ERICKOSN**

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5:12 p.m. **REP. EVERETT**

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5:15 p.m. **David Klemp, Department of Environmental Quality**

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5:20 p.m. **REP. BARRETT**

5:21 p.m. **Alexandra Gorman**

5:22 p.m. **CHAIRMAN YOUNKIN**

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5:34 p.m. **REP. DICKENSON**

5:35 p.m. **Dexter Busby**

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5:38 p.m. **REP. LAMBERT**

5:38 p.m. **REP. HARRIS**

Closing by Sponsor:

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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 5:41 P.M.

REP. CINDY YOUNKIN, Chairman

KATHLEEN ELY, Secretary

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